In the Specification:

Please amend as follows the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 9:

(Amended) The present application is related to U.S. Application No. 09/714,036,————, entitled "A SHORT MESSAGE POINT-TO-POINT GATEWAY HAVING A STANDARD INTERFACE" ~~(Attorney Docket 2000-0474 (AWS527))~~, Application No. 09/714,034————, entitled "A SYSTEM AND METHOD OF BINDING TO A SHORT MESSAGE POINT-TO-POINT PROTOCOL GATEWAY" ~~(Attorney Docket 2000-0474B (AWS527B))~~, Application No. 09/714,033 ————, entitled "A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PERFORMING ANTI-SPAM CONTROL USING A SHORT MESSAGE POINT-TO-POINT PROTOCOL GATEWAY" ~~(Attorney Docket 2000-0474C (AWS527C))~~, Application No. ———— 09/714,032, entitled "A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PERFORMING THROTTLE CONTROL IN A SHORT MESSAGE POINT-TO-POINT PROTOCOL GATEWAY" ~~(Attorney Docket 2000-0474D (AWS527D))~~, and Application No. 09/714,031————, entitled "A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PERFORMING THROTTLE CONTROL IN A SHORT MESSAGING POINT-TO-POINT PROTOCOL GATEWAY" ~~(Attorney Docket 2000-0474E (AWS527E))~~. Each of these applications is concurrently filed and commonly owned. The contents of each of these applications are incorporated herein by reference.